

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Call to Order: By Chairman Edward B. Butcher, on March 8, 2007
at 3:00 A.M., in Room 472 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Edward B. Butcher, Chairman (R)
Rep. Carol Lambert, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Shannon Augare (D)
Rep. Scott Boggio (R)
Rep. Julie French (D)
Rep. Teresa K. Henry (D)
Rep. Llew Jones (R)
Rep. Mike Jopek (D)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Krayton Kerns (R)
Rep. Bruce Malcolm (R)
Rep. Scott Mendenhall (R)
Rep. Diane Rice (R)
Rep. John (Jack) W. Ross (R)
Rep. Dan Villa (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Mary Caferro
Rep. Ralph Heinert

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Dee Barfknecht, Committee Secretary
Krista Lee Evans, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing: SB 59
Executive Action: SB 59

HEARING ON SB 59

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:30 Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen (D), SD 17, opened the hearing on SB 59, Revise meat inspection law by applying federal Humane Methods of Slaughter Act.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:27 Carol Olmstead, State Meat and Poultry Inspection Division, Department of Livestock

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:06:05 Rep. Rice
00:06:20 Ms. Olmstead
00:06:53 Rep. Rice
00:06:58 Ms. Olmstead
00:07:04 Rep. Mendenhall
00:07:11 Sen. Hansen
00:07:21 Chairman Butcher
00:07:46 Ms. Olmstead
00:08:27 Chairman Butcher
00:08:34 Ms. Olmstead

Closing by Sponsor:

00:09:01 Sen. Hansen

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 59

00:09:27 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Lambert moved that **SB 59 BE CONCURRED IN.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote, 18-0. Reps. Caferro and Heinert voted by proxy. Rep. French will carry SB 59.

ADJOURNMENT

00:11:32 Adjournment

REP. EDWARD B. BUTCHER, Chairman

DEE BARFKNECHT, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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